

NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 285

Introduced by Baker, 44

WHEREAS, George W. Norris served Nebraska as a United States Representative from 1903-1913 and as a United States Senator from 1913-1943; and

WHEREAS, high on the list of achievements of George W. Norris is the creation of the Tennessee Valley Authority. He left a legacy of public power in every state except Hawaii, and especially in his home state of Nebraska. The public power districts and the rural electric associations of Nebraska provide one hundred percent of electric power in Nebraska, a cost-effective expression of local control and self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, George W. Norris was instrumental in the establishment of a nonpartisan, unicameral legislative body in the State of Nebraska, the first session of which convened on January 5, 1937; and

WHEREAS, since 1981, January 5 has been set aside as George W. Norris Day, a special day in Nebraska to honor the longtime Nebraska politician.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That January 5, 2000, be recognized as the first George W. Norris Day of this millennium. May we share his

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commitment to a better life for all people, and may his standard of service be a yardstick by which each of us tests our own objectives, appraises our own methods, and measures our own accomplishments.

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PRESIDENT OF THE LEGISLATURE

I, Patrick J. O'Donnell, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Legislative Resolution 285, which was passed by the Legislature of Nebraska in the Ninety-sixth Legislature, Second Session, on the XXXX(words)XXXX day of January 2000.

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CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE